

**Amendments to the Abstract**

Replace the abstract with the following replacement abstract:

The present invention relates to a printing unit comprising has at least one exchangeable roller mandrel {5} of a printing or screen roller, and a coupling device {7}, which occupies a usually front coupling location {16}—of the roller mandrel {5} at the receiving location {13} of the coupling device {7}, and which transmits the torque, which is necessary for rotating the roller mandrel {5}, to said the roller mandrel {5}. To this end, the The coupling device {7} and the roller mandrel {5} are formed in configured such a manner that the coupling location {16} of the roller mandrel {5} can be brought to the receiving location of the coupling device {7} by an axial motion {1} of the roller mandrel {5}.

The invention provides that either Either the roller mandrel {5}[[,]] at its coupling location or the receiving location {20} [sic; 13] of the coupling device {7}[[,]] tapers in the axial direction of the roller mandrel {5}.

(Figure 2)

For the examiner's convenience, a clean text version of the replacement abstract (118 words) is presented below:

A printing unit has at least one exchangeable roller mandrel of a printing or screen roller, and a coupling device, which occupies a usually front coupling location of the roller mandrel at the receiving location of the coupling device, and which transmits the torque, which is necessary for rotating the roller mandrel, to the roller mandrel. The coupling device and the roller mandrel are configured such that the coupling location of the roller mandrel can be brought to the receiving location of the coupling device by an axial motion of the roller mandrel. Either the roller mandrel at its coupling location or the receiving location of the coupling device tapers in the axial direction of the roller mandrel.